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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were slightly higher in the East, but mostly unchanged elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was at least steady in the East, steady in all other areas. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food specials. Supplies were usually sufficient with smaller sizes in the closest balance. In the parts structure, trading increased in some areas, ranging moderate to instances good. Dark meat was in balance to tight and continued to move well. Breast items were closer balanced to available, and wings were in good supply and moving satisfactorily. In production areas, live supplies were mostly moderate. Weights were desirable to light, but mostly desirable.

**Final Report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 19-JUN-2006 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	COMPOSITE WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	62.12	24
Chicago	57.00-60.00	58.29	35 :	58.61	62
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	56.34	24
Denver	75.50	75.27	13 :	76.10	15
Detroit	57.00-59.00	58.80	10 :	61.28	52
Los Angeles	76.00	74.36	67 :	69.94	154
New York	58.00-61.00	60.09	22 :	61.64	62
Philadelphia	57.50-59.00	58.45	11 :	59.48	24
Pittsburgh	57.00-60.00	59.18	11 :	64.85	57
St. Louis	58.25-58.50	57.90	20 :	59.51	40
San Francisco	76.50	75.94	35 :	76.57	74

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	06/19/06	Change Last Wk	06/12/06	06/20/05
588	64.63	.37	64.26	71.72

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	63.00-65.00	63.97	39
Central	55.00-66.00	60.60	61
Western	60.00-67.00	66.82	43
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	68.00-70.00	68.56	88

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 69.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,180	57.00-71.00	68.06
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
LINE RUN TENDERS	WTD AVG	VOLUME
BREASTS - B/S	147.50	1,434
BREASTS - WHOLE	136.00	5,942
THIGH MEAT - B/S	71.00	1,497
LEG QUARTERS	85.00	1,159
WINGS	34.00	9,326
	79.00	3,012

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was noted as moderate to good as dealers assess market conditions for early week business. Offerings were generally adequate to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate. The market tone was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to closely cleared; leg cuts were clearing satisfactorily. Wings were sufficient for current needs.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Retail and food service demand following the week-end was fair to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food promotions. Supplies were usually sufficient with heavier sizes more available, and lighter weights in the closest balance. In the parts structure, supplies of all items were in better balance to short of full trade needs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged throughout the region. The market tone was overall steady. Trading reported at mixed levels with regular commitments at generally unchanged prices and new negotiations at unchanged to lower prices. Offerings were adequate overall with whole body over 4 pounds in the longest position. Buying activity was light to instances fairly good. Retailer demand was moderate, best to cover planned features. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Trading reported on parts for this week's delivery: leg quarters 36-42, wings 76-82, bone-in breast 78-95 and boneless breasts 123-127. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 62.03 down 1.45, with the volume reported up 15 percent at 31 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** This week's final majority delivered prices were unchanged into Chicago, lower into Detroit and higher into St. Louis from last Monday's final; Ohio cities were TFEWR. Whole fryer market tone was mostly steady. Retail and food service demand was moderate, best into fast food. Floor stocks were adequate to long; sizes desirable. Parts supplies were adequate to at times close on a generally moderate call. The trade sentiment was steady to firm on dark meat cuts and generally steady on balance.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as good for early week fill-in needs. Seller offerings were adequate to well cleared. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable to light. Processing schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 59 to 75 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, offerings were in balance to tight on most items.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	53-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity increased entering the week and was noted as at least moderate to instances good. Offerings of breast items, tenders and most dark meat cuts were closely cleared. Wings were clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to fairly good, best where feature activity was planned. The market tone was at least steady to fully steady for breast items; fully steady to firm for tenders, drums, legs and leg quarters.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	135	124.05	755,520
TENDERLOINS	110	104.53	118,060
BREAST - WITH RIBS	72-73	82.96	42,560
BREAST - LINE RUN	72	74.30	90,000
LEGS	43-44	44.51	130,800
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	32.96	278,960
DRUMSTICKS	38-39	42.55	69,937
THIGHS	28-29	36.64	70,280
B/S THIGHS	83-84	85.94	77,580
WINGS (WHOLE)	71-72	73.18	166,860
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.08	15,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	24.93	9,800
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.56	16,360

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	2,002	105.00-198.00	115-125	124.37
TENDERLOINS	444	96.00-169.00	-	108.56
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	480	29.00-32.00	30-31	30.75
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,735	26.00-35.00	32-33	32.87
WINGS (WHOLE)	320	50.00-69.00	-	61.88
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,520	22.00-24.00	23-24	23.03

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	06/19	06/15	06/15	06/12	06/08
Alabama	4,051	3,924	5.31	3,960	5.32
Arkansas	5,428	5,440	5.15	5,384	5.18
Delmarva	2,187	2,303	5.63	2,275	5.72
KY-LA-TN	2,343	2,351	5.00	2,259	4.95
Mississippi	2,954	2,905	5.60	2,961	5.79
North Carolina	2,650	2,533	6.64	2,230	6.67
Texas	2,799	2,537	5.29	2,636	5.34
Total	22,412	21,993	5.46	21,705	5.51
Mon	22,412(A)			21,705(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Jun 2005 is estimated to be 33,531,000 up 2.95 percent from a week ago. and up 1.5 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,571,000 last year 33,031,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	998	120.00-177.00	-	131.00
TENDERLOINS	139	93.00-169.00	-	101.88
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	126	37.00-54.00	39	39.35
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	589	30.00-34.00	30-31	31.96
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,618	30.00-38.00	32	31.92
WINGS (WHOLE)	275	58.00-79.00	-	69.13
WINGS (CUT)	260	81.00-94.00	-	87.90
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR JUN 19, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
47.50 - 51.00	49.48	48.68

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 19-JUN-TO 23-JUN-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	115.00 - 136.00	120.00 - 133.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	69.00 - 95.00	70.00 - 77.00
LEGS	39.00 - 50.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	26.00 - 41.00	33.00 - 35.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	32.00 - 43.00	35.00 - 37.00
DRUMSTICKS	36.00 - 44.00	-
THIGHS	28.00 - 43.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	60.00 - 88.00	79.00 - 84.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	29.00 - 35.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	39.00 - 50.00	-

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	81.5-99.5
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85-102

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

#### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	94-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	97-105
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

#### DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 89-103
	DRY PACK 108-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 88-102
	DRY PACK 102-109
DUCKS	185-190

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

JUNE 16, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	15.00-16.00	360,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		15.56		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.75-20.00	12.00-15.00	1,644,000	884,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.49	13.63		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

JUNE 16, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	15.00-16.00	102,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		15.60		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.00-16.00	12.00-15.00	859,600	391,200
WTD AVERAGE	15.35	13.66		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair at best for the fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product was light to fair. The undertone was about steady to instances weak.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 19-JUN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-11	8-11	9.83
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged to slightly lower. Demand was fair but not aggressive for fully adequate offerings. Undertone was barely steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 19-JUN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-13	9-11	10.10

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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